

Critical Academic Licensure Shortage Areas for the 2019-2020 School Year

In accordance with Arkansas Code § 6-15-2905, the State Board of Education has authority to annually declare critical academic shortage areas. As described in Arkansas Code Annotated §§ 6-81-608 and 609 (Incentives for Additional Licensure), and § 6-81-1601 through 1606 (Financial Incentives for Teaching in Shortage Areas), teachers in shortage areas may be entitled to financial incentives.

Information on federal TEACH Grants can be found at https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/types/grants-scholarships/teach. Or you can call FedLoan Servicing, at 1-800-699-2908 from 8 a.m.–9 p.m. ET, Monday through Friday.

There are also financial aid programs that can be found at the Arkansas Department of Higher Education Financial Aid Office. Call <u>501.371.2000</u> or click on <u>http://scholarships.adhe.edu/</u>.

The Arkansas Department of Education has designated the following areas as critical academic shortage areas for the 2019-2020 school year.

Art (K-12) Library/Media (K-12) Agriculture (7-12) Mathematics (7-12)

Chemistry (7-12) Music (K-12)
Computer Science (4-12) Physics (7-12)

English / Lang. Arts (7-12) Spanish (K-12)

Fam & Cons Science (7-12) Special Education (K-12)

French (K-12)